



Cologuard Classic

Omni Tucson National | Tucson, Arizona | February 25 – March 1, 2020

First-Round Notes

Friday, February 28, 2020

Course Setup: Par 73 / 7,218 yards (R1: 72.038)

Weather: Mostly cloudy with a high of 78. Winds out of the SE 5-10 mph.

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	Player	To Par	Scores
1.	Brett Quigley	-9	33-31—64
2.	Robert Karlsson	-8	33-32—65
T3.	Glen Day	-6	35-32—67
T3.	Rod Pampling	-6	32-35—67
T3.	John Daly	-6	30-37—67
T3.	Steve Stricker	-6	33-34—67

Quick Links:

- [Leaderboard](#)
- [Second-Round Tee Times](#) (10:10 a.m. – 12:10 p.m. off Nos. 1 and 10)
- PGATOURmedia.com (transcripts and other resources available for download)

Brett Quigley, 33-31—64 (-9)

- Quigley carded nine birdies, including six in his last seven holes of play, en route to a bogey-free 9-under 64. Records as the best round in his PGA TOUR Champions career (previous best: 66 in Rd 2 & 3 at Morocco Champions).
- Quigley made four starts at the Chrysler Classic of Tucson played at Omni Tucson National. He missed the cut three times (1997-1999), and finished T65 in 2003 after rounds of 70-71-70-75.
- In just his second start of his PGA TOUR Champions career, the rookie claimed his first Champions Tour title at the Morocco Champions. This win earned him an exemption on PGA TOUR Champions through the end of the 2021 season and a two-year exemption into the season-opening Mitsubishi Electric Championship at Hualalai.
- It is the first time in his PGA TOUR Champions career he has led/co-led after the first round. When Quigley won the Morocco Champions, he was T11 after the first round.
- Quigley made five runner-up finishes over 408 starts during his time on the PGA TOUR. Three of those came in 2009, his winningest year, as he notched three runner-up finishes and advanced to the Deutsche Bank Championship in the FedExCup Playoffs. Quigley has made one start on TOUR during the 2019-20 season, missing the cut at the Bermuda Championship last fall.
- He is the nephew of 11-time Champions Tour winner Dana Quigley.

First-round lead notes

- Through three events this season, two first-round leaders/co-leaders have gone on to win. **Brett Quigley**, winner of the Morocco Champions was T11 after the first round.
- In the five-year history of the Cologuard Classic, **Woody Austin** is the only 18-hole leader to go on and win the tournament. Austin opened with a 7-under 65 on his way to earning the title in 2016.
- The largest 18-hole lead in tournament history occurred in 2015 when a first-round 65 gave Jerry Smith a two-shot cushion heading into the weekend.

Robert Karlsson, 33-32—65 (-8)

- Making his Cologuard Classic debut and just his second start on PGA TOUR Champions, Karlsson carded an eagle, eight birdies and two bogeys en route to an 8-under 65.
- His 8-under 65 records as his best 18-hole score in a PGA TOUR-sanctioned event since shooting 63 at the 2013 Mayakoba Golf Classic.
- An 11-time winner on the European Tour, the Swede most recently finished T45 at last month's Omega Dubai Desert Classic and T23 at the Chubb Classic, the first start of his PGA TOUR Champions career.
- The start marks as Karlsson's second at Omni Tucson National as he competed in the 2000 Touchstone Energy Tucson Open, but missed the cut after rounds of 75-72.
- The rookie turned 50 years old on September 3, 2019 and earned fully exempt status on Tour this season after a third-place finish at PGA TOUR Champions Q-School in December.

Other Notes

- **Glen Day** (T3) carded an eagle, five birdies and a bogey en route to a 6-under 67, recording as his best round in five starts at the Cologuard Classic and best in three starts this season. Day has played the Omni Tucson National 10 previous times at the Chrysler Classic of Tucson. He made the cut 50 percent of the time and recorded a second-round 65 in 2005 as his course best.
- **Rod Pampling** (T3) carded seven birdies and a bogey en route to a 6-under 67 in his Cologuard Classic debut. Pampling finished T8 at his first start during the 2020 season at the Morocco Champions and T17 at the Chubb Classic.
- **John Daly** carded seven birdies and a bogey to finish with an opening-round 6-under 67 (T3), his best opening round score and highest standing after 18-holes since shooting 67 on Friday at the 2018 American Family Insurance Championship.
- **Steve Stricker** carded a bogey-free 6-under 67 in his season debut. Stricker is making his fourth start at the Cologuard Classic, but 12th start at the Omni Tucson National. Stricker played the Tucson Chrysler Classic from eight years spanning from 1992-2006, finishing runner-up in 1994. His Cologuard Classic results as follows:

Year	Finish	Scores
2019	T6	66-72-70—208
2018	1st	66-70-69—205
2017	2nd	67-63-70—200

- Defending Champion, **Mark O'Meara** carded an opening-round 4-under 69. Last year, he opened the event with a 7-under 66 but sat T2 behind Kenny Perry. O'Meara is making his fourth start of the year. He withdrew from the previous event, the Chubb Classic after an opening round 74 due to illness.
- The 469-yard, par-4 18th hole at Omni Tucson National Resort yielded just 28 birdies last year and it ranked as the toughest closing hole (4.270 average) among non-majors in 2019. Today the hole played as the most difficult with a 4.244 scoring average it saw eight birdies, 51 pars and 13 bogeys.